Pleasent Hill
10th Apl 1867

Dear "John"

I have been longer in writing you than I should have been, but I could not help it. I have left Boles, & am now engaged in starting a Gallery for a company in St. Louis they want me to continue with them, but I cannot tell yet.
I do not much like the people of Mo very well, there is such a hatered existing between them that is the "Feds & Rebs". Some anticipate

troublesome times here yet but I do not think there will. "by the by" I saw a man a day or two ago who was acquainted with Father he was a school Teacher "his name is Black" his folks live in Peal Co. he came down in the stage with Mr Rothwell ~~in the Stage~~ in the Winter He is acquainted with a great many people that I am, he & I spent a very pleasent night it farely raised my spirits as he was the first pearson from Canada, that was acquainted with any that I was. that I have seen since I left
Allow me to thank you for that picture that you sent me some time

ago for it - realy it is a
good one & think
it is the best one you
ever had taken. as for
the young Ladies there's
is realy splendid & I have
no doubt but that it is
like them but as I never
have had the pleasure of
seeing either of them that I
remember of "I am not a good a judge"
Well John I have been promis-
-ing myself a trip home
next fall or winter but
still I am not certain
it will depend on how
much I make this
summer How do you
like to live in Guelph, lots of
amusements or is it dull
how are you getting along
with your business do you
like it You never said

what your Sallery is
but I suppose it will not
be much for the first year
well never mind it is a
it is a good ~~one~~ business & I would
advise you to stick to it
It is not a good plan to
jump at every thing that
comes along
I received a letter from
the parties we were talking
of before they made a
good many apologies
& excuses which of course
you know had to be taken
please let our folks know that
I am well & do not intend writing
them just now I cant tell where
I will be when I write you next
I think it will be either two
hundred miles farther west or
in St. Louis. I will not leave here
for a week or two yet but I must
draw this scribble to a close.
Remember me to all the friends
& please "write" "soon"
With love I remain Your Bro J. M. K.

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